

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a user to configure a system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, the method comprising:

receiving a request from a user via the network of the client system to configure the system, wherein the system includes one or more customizable components;

providing an image of the system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input via the network selecting an image of a first customizable component which is visually depicted in the image of the system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input via the network selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the system specify a configured system.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing an image of the configured system via the network to the client system for display, wherein the image of the configured system visually depicts the customizable component selections of the user.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein said providing the image of the configured system includes providing customizable component selection images corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3 wherein at least a subset of the customizable component selection images are visually depicted at their respective locations on the image of the configured system.

5. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein said providing the image of the configured system includes providing text corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user;

wherein the text is displayed in the image of the configured system.

6. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the image of the configured system is viewable by the user and used by the user to evaluate and confirm the customizable component selections.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2 further comprising:

receiving one or more new customizable component selections via the network for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the configured system after said providing the image of the configured system to the client system, wherein the new customizable component selections applied to the configured system specify a new configured system;

providing an image of the new configured system via the network, wherein the image of the new configured system visually depicts the new customizable component selections of the user.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7 wherein said receiving the one or more new customizable component selections includes:

receiving user input selecting a ~~first~~ second customizable component;

providing a menu of possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component to the client system for display after the user input selecting the ~~first~~ second customizable component;

receiving user input selecting one of the possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component further includes:

receiving user input indicating that a position of a cursor of the client system overlaps a location of the image of the first customizable component displayed in the image of the system.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections further includes:

providing a menu comprising customizable component options of the first customizable component for display on the client system after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes text indicating the customizable component options.

12. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes images indicating the customizable component options.

13. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the menu is operable to be displayed proximate to the location of the image of the first customizable component

14. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein said receiving customizable component selections further includes:

providing a sequence of images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

15. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option includes:

providing customizable component option images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component;

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option image corresponding to the first customizable component option.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising:

providing an image of the first customizable component option for display on the client system via the network in response to said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option for the first customizable component.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a user to configure a measurement system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, the method comprising:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the measurement system, wherein the measurement system includes one or more customizable components, wherein at least one of the customizable components is a measurement device;

providing an image of the measurement system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the measurement system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the measurement system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the measurement system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the measurement system specify a configured measurement system.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 17 further comprising providing an image of the configured measurement system to the client system via the network for display, wherein the image of the configured measurement system visually depicts the customizable component selections of the user.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein said providing the image of the configured measurement system includes providing customizable component selection images corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user.

20. (Original) The method of claim 19 wherein at least a subset of the customizable component selection images are visually depicted at their respective locations on the image of the configured measurement system.

21. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein said providing the image of the configured measurement system includes providing text corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user;

wherein the text is displayed in the image of the configured measurement system.

22. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein the image of the configured measurement system is viewable by the user and used by the user to evaluate and confirm the customizable component selections.

23. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18 further comprising:

receiving one or more new customizable component selections via the network for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the configured measurement system after said providing the image of the configured measurement system to the client system, wherein the new customizable component selections applied to the configured measurement system specify a new configured measurement system;

providing an image of the new configured measurement system, wherein the image of the new configured measurement system visually depicts the new customizable component selections of the user.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23 wherein said receiving the one or more new customizable component selections includes:

receiving user input selecting a ~~first~~ second customizable component;

providing a menu of possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component to the client system for display after the user input selecting the ~~first~~ second customizable component;

receiving user input selecting one of the possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component.

25. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component further includes:

receiving user input indicating that a position of a cursor of the client system overlaps a location of the image of the first customizable component displayed in the image of the measurement system.

26. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein said receiving customizable component selections further includes:

providing a menu comprising customizable component options of the first customizable component for display on the client system after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

27. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes text indicating the customizable component options.

28. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes images indicating the customizable component options.

29. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein the menu is operable to be displayed proximate to the location of the image of the first customizable component

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 26 wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections further includes:

providing a sequence of images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

31. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option includes:

providing customizable component option images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component;

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option image corresponding to the first customizable component option.

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 17 further comprising:

providing an image of the first customizable component option via the network for display on the client system in response to said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option for the first customizable component.

33. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a user to configure a computer system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, the method comprising:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the computer system, wherein the computer system includes one or more customizable components, wherein at least one of the customizable components is an electronic device;

providing an image of the computer system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the computer system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the computer system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the computer system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option via the network for the first customizable component, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the computer system specify a configured computer system.

34. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 33 further comprising providing an image of the configured computer system to the client system via the network for

display, wherein the image of the configured computer system visually depicts the customizable component selections of the user.

35. (Original) The method of claim 34 wherein said providing the image of the configured computer system includes providing customizable component selection images corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user.

36. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein at least a subset of the customizable component selection images are visually depicted at their respective locations on the image of the configured computer system.

37. (Original) The method of claim 34 wherein said providing the image of the configured computer system includes providing text corresponding to the customizable component selections of the user;

wherein the text is displayed in the image of the configured computer system.

38. (Original) The method of claim 34 wherein the image of the configured computer system is viewable by the user and used by the user to evaluate and confirm the customizable component selections.

39. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 34 further comprising:

receiving one or more new customizable component selections via the network for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the configured computer system after said providing the image of the configured computer system to the client system, wherein the new customizable component selections applied to the configured computer system specify a new configured computer system;

providing an image of the new configured computer system via the network, wherein the image of the new configured computer system visually depicts the new customizable component selections of the user.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 39 wherein said receiving the one or more new customizable component selections includes:

receiving user input selecting a ~~first~~ second customizable component;

providing a menu of possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component to the client system for display after the user input selecting the ~~first~~ second customizable component;

receiving user input selecting one of the possible options for the ~~first~~ second customizable component.

41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 33 wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component further includes:

receiving user input via the network indicating that a position of a cursor of the client system overlaps a location of the image of the first customizable component displayed in the image of the computer system.

42. (Original) The method of claim 33 wherein said receiving customizable component selections further includes:

providing a menu comprising customizable component options of the first customizable component for display on the client system after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

43. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes text indicating the customizable component options.

44. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein the menu comprising the customizable component options includes images indicating the customizable component options.

45. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein the menu is operable to be displayed proximate to the location of the image of the first customizable component

46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 42 wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections further includes:

providing a sequence of images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

47. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option includes:

providing customizable component option images corresponding to the customizable component options of the first customizable component;

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option image corresponding to the first customizable component option.

48. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 33 further comprising:

providing an image of the first customizable component option via the network for display on the client system in response to said receiving user input selecting the first customizable component option for the first customizable component.

49. (Currently Amended) A memory medium comprising program instructions for enabling a user to configure a system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, wherein the program instructions are executable to implement:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the system, wherein the system includes one or more customizable components;

providing an image of the system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the system specify a configured system.

50. (Currently Amended) A memory medium comprising program instructions for enabling a user to configure a computer system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, wherein the program instructions are executable to implement:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the computer system, wherein the computer system includes one or more customizable components, wherein at least one of the customizable components is an electronic device;

providing an image of the computer system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the computer system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the computer system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the computer system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the user input selecting the

first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the computer system specify a configured computer system.

51. (Currently Amended) A memory medium comprising program instructions for enabling a user to configure a measurement system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a client system coupled through a network to an electronic commerce server, wherein the program instructions are executable to implement:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the measurement system, wherein the measurement system includes one or more customizable components, wherein at least one of the customizable components is a measurement device;

providing an image of the measurement system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the measurement system;

~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the measurement system in response to user input, wherein said ~~receiving~~ determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the measurement system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the measurement system specify a configured measurement system.

52. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a server computer coupled through a network to a client computer, the method comprising:

providing an image of a system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the system comprises images of one or more customizable components;

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the first option comprises the selection for the first customizable component;

wherein one or more selections specify a configured system.

53. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, further comprising:

providing a menu via the network comprising options of the first customizable component for display on the client computer after said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component.

54. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 52, wherein said receiving user input selecting the first option comprises:

providing images corresponding to options of the first customizable component;

receiving user input selecting a first image corresponding to the first option.

55. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, further comprising:

providing an image of the first option for display on the client computer via the network in response to said receiving user input selecting the option for the first customizable component.

56. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, further comprising:

providing an image of the configured system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the configured system visually depicts the one or more selections of the user.

57. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, further comprising:
receiving payment information for the configured system via the network to purchase the configured system.

58. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 57, further comprising:
providing the configured system to a user of the client computer after said receiving payment information for the configured system to purchase the configured system.

59 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, wherein the system is a measurement system.

60. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, wherein the system is a computer system.

61. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 52, wherein the system comprises a plurality of electronic devices.

62. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a measurement system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a server computer coupled through a network to a client computer, the method comprising:

providing an image of a measurement system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the measurement system comprises images of one or more customizable components, wherein at least one of the customizable components is a measurement device;

receiving user input selecting an image of the measurement device via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the measurement system, wherein said

receiving user input selecting the image of the measurement device operates to select the measurement device for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first option for the measurement device via the network, wherein the first option comprises the selection for the measurement device; wherein one or selections specify a configured measurement system.

63. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 62, further comprising:
providing a menu via the network comprising options for the measurement device for display on the client computer after said receiving user input selecting the image of the measurement device.

64. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 62, wherein said receiving user input selecting the first option includes:
providing images corresponding to the options of the measurement device;
receiving user input selecting a first image corresponding to the first option.

65. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 62, further comprising:
providing an image of the first option via the network for display on the client computer in response to said receiving user input selecting the first option for the measurement device.

66. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 62, further comprising:
providing an image of the configured measurement system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the configured measurement system visually depicts the one or more selections of the user.

67. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 62, further comprising:
receiving payment information via the network for the configured measurement system to purchase the configured measurement system.

68. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 67, further comprising:

providing the configured measurement system to a user of the client computer after said receiving payment information for the configured measurement system to purchase the configured measurement system.

69. (Currently Amended) A method for configuring a computer system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a server computer coupled through a network to a client computer, the method comprising:

providing an image of a computer system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the computer system comprises images of one or more customizable components;

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the computer system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the first option is the selection for the first customizable component;

wherein one or more selections specify a configured computer system.

70. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 69, further comprising:

providing a menu via the network comprising options for the customizable component for display on the client computer after said receiving user input selecting the image of the customizable component.

~~71~~61. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 69, wherein said receiving user input selecting the first option includes:

providing images corresponding to the options of the first customizable component; and

receiving user input selecting a first image corresponding to the first option.

72. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 69, further comprising:

providing an image of the first option via the network for display on the client computer in response to said receiving user input selecting the first option for the first customizable component.

73. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 69, further comprising:

providing an image of the configured ~~measurement~~ computer system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the configured computer system visually depicts the one or more selections of the user.

74. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 69, further comprising:

receiving payment information via the network for the configured computer system to purchase the configured computer system.

75. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 74, further comprising:

providing the configured computer system to a user of the client computer after said receiving payment information for the configured computer system to purchase the configured computer system.

76. (New) A method for configuring an electronic system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a server computer coupled through a network to a client computer, the method comprising:

receiving a request from a user of the client system via the network to configure the electronic system, wherein the electronic system includes one or more customizable components;

providing an image of the electronic system to the client system via the network for display, wherein images of at least a subset of the one or more customizable components form at least a portion of the image of the electronic system;

determining customizable component selections for at least one of the one or more customizable components of the electronic system in response to user input, wherein said determining customizable component selections comprises:

receiving user input selecting an image of a first customizable component via the network which is visually depicted in the image of the electronic system, wherein said receiving user input selecting the image of the first customizable component operates to select the first customizable component for configuration; and

receiving user input selecting a first customizable component option for the first customizable component via the network, wherein the user input selecting the first customizable component option comprises the customizable component selection for the first customizable component;

wherein the customizable component selections applied to the electronic system specify a configured electronic system.

77. (New) A method for configuring a system in an e-commerce system, wherein the e-commerce system includes a server computer coupled through a network to a client computer, the method comprising:

providing an image of the system to the client computer via the network for display, wherein the image of the system comprises images of one or more customizable components;

receiving first user input configuring a first portion of the system via the network, wherein said receiving first user input comprises selecting an image associated with the first portion of the system which is visually depicted in the image of the system;

providing one or more options based on the first received user input to the user via the network, wherein the one or more options comprise one or more components for inclusion in the system; and

receiving second user input selecting a first option of the one or more options for the first portion of the system via the network, wherein the first option comprises a first component for inclusion in the system;

wherein said receiving first user input, said providing one or more options, and said receiving second user input are performed one or more times to configure the system.

78. (New) The method of claim 77, wherein the image associated with the first portion of the system comprises an image of the first component.

79. (New) The method of claim 77, wherein the image associated with the first portion of the system comprises an image of a slot for the first component.

80. (New) The method of claim 77, wherein said receiving user input configuring the first portion of the system comprises receiving user input selecting an image of the first component and dragging the image of the first component to the image associated with the first portion of the system.